

responsibility of trying to take care of the concerns of the people and bring the code up-to-date, these are any laws that are out of date. If there is a law in the book since 1900 that is totally out of line with the general thinking of the public, then we have the responsibility to change it. To sit here and say, we're too busy; we don't understand it, let's take one more year, doesn't solve the problem. Senator Maresh, I know that Senator Barnett's staff is available for you anytime that you request that. I think that certainly Senator DeCamp, Senator Luedtke, any member of the Judiciary staff can answer any questions that you have. It is my understanding that they have not been put to the test. I would finally suggest that we utilize the staff that we have available. If you have any questions about it, if you're not willing to take the time to come to the committees. If you take the time to utilize the staff that you ask the people who are attorneys, Senator DeCamp or Senator Luedtke to answer the questions that you might have prior to the floor. I think that Senator Dworak has stated very clearly and concisely it doesn't make any difference if you push this thing off one year or ten years, some of you are not going to study and read it. I would oppose both the bracket and the kill motion.

SENATOR MARVEL: We have nine names up here. Senator Newell, then Senator DeCamp, then Senator Fowler. Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator Marvel, I'd like to call for the question. I think it's debated long enough and I think that we ought to come to some sort of decision. Thank you.

SENATOR MARVEL: All those in favor of ceasing...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I thought the rule was that all a person would do is stand and call for the question without commentary and that commentary would make a call for the question out of order and commentary was made, so I object to his motion being accepted.

SENATOR MARVEL: Senator Chambers, I'm going to rule that the question has been called for. You can overrule me if you like. All those in favor of the ceasing debate vote aye, opposed vote no. Voting aye.

CLERK: Senator Marvel voting aye.

SENATOR MARVEL: Record.

CLERK: 22 ayes, 11 nays.

SENATOR MARVEL: The motion lost. Senator Newell, do you have any other comments on Senator Maresh's motion? (No response). Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, I guess instead of talking about the difficulties we've had with the code and instead of talking about the problems and pain and heartache, maybe we ought to reflect in another direction and that is how much we've accomplished in the various hours of discussion we've had on the criminal code. I would guess that the 49 members of the 1977 Legislature are probably the best educated and most knowledgeable about criminal laws of this state of any Legislative session within the last 30, 40, 50 years for sure.